

Mission Parish Priest Retirement benefits

Purpose: The following parameters are identified to accommodate retired priests who choose to serve in a mission parish without affecting their pension.

- 1) Priest must be of retirement age (over 65 years of age).
- 2) Priest can only serve in any one mission parish for a total of two years and may serve in multiple mission parishes.
- 3) Mission parish must be in existence less than 5 years.
- 4) Mission parish must be servicing fewer than 50 souls (defined as any man, woman, or child) at the time the priest is first assigned to serve the mission.
- 5) Parish must be providing less than \$2000/month (\$24,000/year) total compensation which includes value of provided housing or housing allowance, salary, insurance, and any and all reimbursements (e.g. car, gas, phone, internet, meals, subscriptions, registration fees)
- 6) While participating in this program, both church and priest contributions to the pension plan will not be required.
- 7) Documentation of these parameters will be required as designated by pension board.
- 8) Each mission parish must apply for inclusion in this program.